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Global finance chiefs call for US to resolve paralysis

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A chorus of global finance chiefs yesterday called for the US to quickly resolve the political stalemate over the budget and debt ceiling to avoid damaging the world economy.

Top finance officials from China, Europe and Latin America joined International Monetary Fund Managing Director Christine Lagarde and World Bank President Jim Yong Kim in warning of the potential catastrophe looming if Washington is forced to slash spending because Congress does not increase the statutory borrowing cap.

"They should have the wisdom to solve this problem as soon as possible," Gang Yi, deputy governor of the People's Bank of China, said

during the World Bank-IMF annual meetings in Washington. "We certainly need a very stable global economy."

In New York, European Central Bank chief Mario Draghi said a standoff between the Democrats and Republicans that lasts several weeks or months could "cause severe damage to the US economy and to the world."

"The world still doesn't believe that the US will not find a way out of this," Draghi said.

Lagarde and Kim, launching the annual meetings of the two global banks, both highlighted the dangers as Republicans offered a short-term fix to the impasse that was not sure to be accepted by President Barack Obama.

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The first day of the three-day event bringing together legislators, technology innovators and potential investors, all focused on renewable energy projects and sustainability programs, ended with recognition for a pioneer in the field, Professor Dr. Wubbo Ockels.

This year's energy conference is a collaboration between Green Aruba and the Caribbean Renewable Energy Forum (CREF); the first day was devoted entirely to Aruba's efforts, with the declared government policy of being 100% sustainable by the year 2020. Yesterday and today, the international coterie of energy experts and ministers have been conducting seminars and workshops as part of the CREF initiative.

The Aruba Green Energy conference closed on Wednesday afternoon with a final ad-



Javier Sint Jago accepts on behalf of Wubbo Ockels

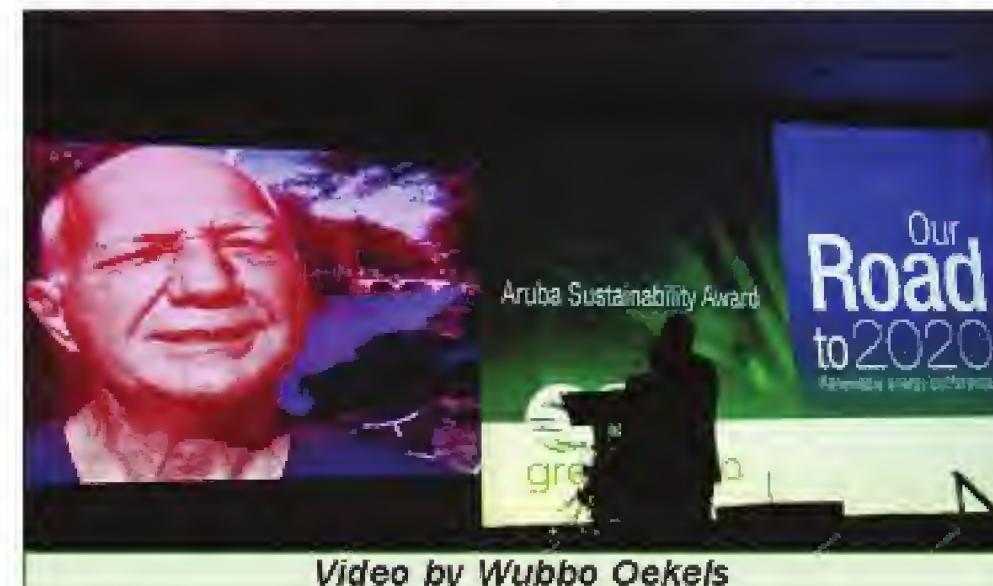
dress by Aruba's Minister of Finance, Communications, Utilities and Energy, Mike de Meza. He summed up all Aruba has done over the past four years, and plans to do in the near future to achieve complete oil independence by

2020, at the very least, if not the final goal of a total reduction of carbon emissions.

Minister de Meza stood in for Prime Minister Mike Eman, who was too ill to attend the day's events. The Prime Minister did attend the CREF opening ceremonies the following morning to deliver his address, but on doctor's orders, could not attend the Green Energy Conference.

In closing, Minister de Meza first accepted the gift of a book by Strategic Spatial Planner and Change Agent, Geert Koistra of Planosfeer in Holland. Parallel to Aruba's Green Energy Conference is a separate event targeting island youth at the secondary school age.

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Video by Wubbo Ockels



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Green Energy Conference 2013 closes with Wubbo Ockels recipient of the first *Aruba Sustainability Award*

Dr. Kooistra had participated in the 2012 "Green s'Cool" program, working with the Director of Aruba's National Library Astrid Britten, and staff member Ronny Alders. He also accompanied Aruba's library staff to the prestigious American Library Association annual congress this year, to present new strategies recognizing libraries as active community partners in response to the rapid changes in planning and described practices of sustainability.

Dr. Kooistra was greatly impressed by "this great Aruban example" and declared Holland should be very proud of "its little brother," and that the island was teaching the world what could be done, rather than just talking about things." He reports he had promised the students he worked with that he would publish a book about their projects, and has made good on his word, in both Dutch and English versions. It is more of a workbook, beautifully illustrated with the many exciting



Geert Kooistra presents books

photographs he took of the enthusiastic participation and creativity he observed. The English version is also aimed as a teaching aid to be distributed by ACURIL, the association of Caribbean libraries, for them to reach out to other islands, and inspire them to follow Aruba's example.

Minister de Meza was the first to receive this book, along with Genevieve Leeuw of the

VNO, the Dutch mission to Aruba. More copies went to the Aruba National Library, and Dr. Kooistra also presented the minister with a beautiful panoramic montage of the photographs.

The final event of the Green Aruba Conference was the inaugural presentation of the Aruba Sustainability Award, which went to Holland's first astronaut to go into space on the Challenger shuttle, Dr. Wubbo Ockels. Professor of Aerospace for Sustainable Engineering and Technology at the Delft University of Technology, he has been a great friend to the conference from its inception in 2010. He was the keynote speaker at the inaugural welcoming event that year, as a world-renowned proponent and innovator in the field of renewable energy technology.

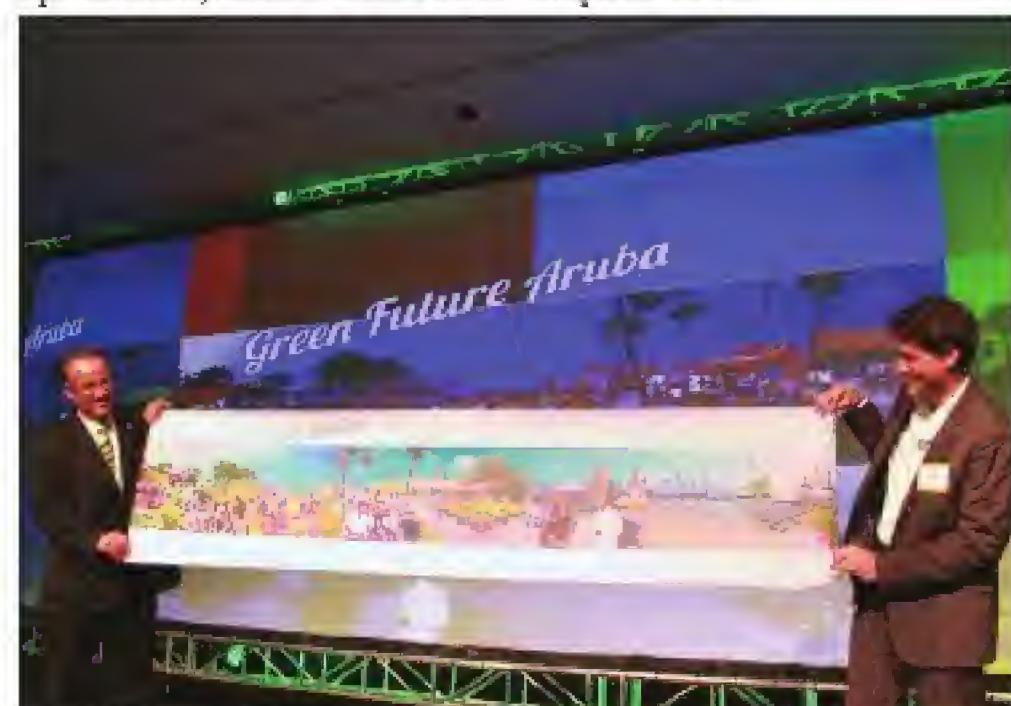
Dr. Ockels has also made headlines for his project, the "Ecolution," a fully sustainable sailboat, running only on renewable energies. Its maiden voyage crossed the Atlantic to Aruba. He remained on the is-

land with his wife to participate in programs in island schools and inspire Aruban youth regarding careers in sustainable technology, and smart practices they could take home to their families.

Unfortunately, Dr. Ockels could not be on Aruba to receive the award, as he was again mentoring the Luna Solar Car team from TU Delft in preparation for the world races in Australia. One of his former students, Aruban Javier Sint Jago, who was also one of the crew on the maiden voyage of the Ecolution, accepted the award on his behalf. On a very upbeat note, Javier announced

cess in the national elections on September 27, and felt the AVP party should "take it as a crown on your work and initiatives towards a Green Aruba. It is an opportunity to finish and complete all the initiatives you have taken in the last four years."

Dr. Ockels expressed his gratitude for being invited to be a part of the program and visit island schools. "For me, a giant experience, even if for you only a small step... I remember, when visiting the schools, the young Arubans and the sparkle in their eyes when I spoke of space and my experiences."



Geert presents Aruba montage

that the Luna solar car team, many of which are Arubans studying at TU Delft, now held a sizable lead during the World Solar Challenge, a 2000-mile race through the Australian Outback, with every expectation of winning the race.

Dr. Ockels did send a video, in which he was wearing a tee shirt with his signature motto "I am an astronaut on Spaceship Earth." He congratulated the Prime Minister on his recent resounding suc-

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Prime Minister Mike Eman reminds delegates of the Caribbean Renewable Energy Forum that it is not only about the technology, but the "quality of life"



Jerry Butler presents PM Eman an award of appreciation

This year, in conjunction with its annual Green Aruba Energy Conference, the island is hosting the Caribbean Renewable Energy Forum, CREF, a much wider reaching, international event that attracts a pantheon of diplomats, ministers, companies and investors in the arena renewable energy technology.

Founding Chairman of CREF often reminds interviewers and his audiences that he "looks at things as a capitalist." Indeed, those who are dedicated to transitioning the world to the use of renewable energy, thus reducing the carbon footprint, often place great emphasis on the economic opportunity it creates, along with jobs and very possible mega-profits. This is understandable, as the promise of profit may be the simplest way to detour investor funding away from oil exploration to more eco-friendly projects.

Aruba's government has as-



Ambassador Albert Ramdin of OAS

serted it sees renewable energy not only as a boon to the planet, but the path to sustainability, which also provides the added on value of diversifying the island's economy and providing challenging employment in technological fields for his best and brightest.

The official opening of

CREF took place yesterday morning in the Westin Resort, with Aruba's Prime Minister Mike Eman as keynote speaker, and Organization of American States, (OAS) Assistant Secretary General, Ambassador Albert Ramdin, providing the welcome remarks.

Prime Minister Eman has been the driving force behind Aruba's Green Energy policies and direction. A self-declared admirer of the teachings of sociologist Amitai Etzioni and the philosophy of communitarianism, he directed his remarks to the human aspect of the renewable energy movement, urging attendees to always keep this purpose in sight.

"Aruba has chosen a direction that comes quite naturally to a small country and a small community. That is finding a way to create a better quality of life, for each citizen, and a much more sustainable development, which we translate to economic growth and well-being for our citizens."

"It is crucial to have important partners when you take up such an enormous challenge. The fact that Aruba can say we have organizations such as TNO, The Carbon War Room, and institutions such as Harvard and TU Delft, really provides us great support for the vision we have articulated and set out for our island, so it may be totally sustainable by 2020." He expressed his heartfelt thanks to the individuals from these institutions who have taken such an interest in Aruba and its goals.

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October is support month for Mary Joan Foundation

ORANJESTAD -- Mary Joan Foundation is very grateful to the MYLA company, Tropical Bottling Co., Sun Specs Optica, Coffee Spot, First Choice Marketing Supplies, Super Food, Hard Rock Café, Maggy's, Golf Shop Divi Links, Tri-Bike Aruba, Frasa/Yoplait who have made provisions for creating funds for Mary Joan Foundation.

The Mary Joan Foundation's goal is to serve those women in our community who have been diagnosed with breast cancer. The foundation receives no subsidy funds. All funds are those received from local spon-

sors and contributions from the Aruban community.

The foundation which now exists for six years offers services to their clients, such as:

- the assistance of a social worker
- the assistance of a psychologist
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- Physical activities under professional guidance
- Monthly lectures on topics related to the disease of breast cancer

MYLA is a company with a platform at Valero Esso Ville which promotes the logo of the Mary Joan Foundation to help with awareness and to generate funds during the months of September and October.

Tropical Bottling has changed their Bottled Water label to pink. They have placed Mary Joan Foundation's logo on their bottles. Every product sold contributes to the fund of the foundation.

Sun Specs Optica has a promotion whereby for each frame sold they will make a contribution to the fund.

Coffee Spot has a special promotion in October; each pack of coffee has the MJF logo on it. With the purchase of any article in their store they will make a contribution to the foundation.

With each purchase of a MJF product against hair fall at First Choice Marketing Supplies, the company will give a donation. The company has put the abovementioned product on the market with the goal to fund MJF indefinitely.

Super Food has launched his Pink Cup Cakes campaign. With every purchase of a pink cup cake with the Mary Joan Foundation logo on it, they will contribute to the foundation's funds. Super Food also has designated space to sell MJF articles.

Hard Rock Cafe has invited



some 80 clients for a nice time at the restaurant; they had prepared a special menu for the VIPs.

Maggie's Aruba launched its campaign "Shop for a Cause" for the month of October.

With each purchase of the products Swarovski, Calvin Klein, Cartier, Glamglow, Mischnino, Qiency and Lancôme, Maggie's will make a nice donation to MJF.

Divi Links Golf Shop every year organizes its Pink Golf Tournament fundraiser and this year was no exception.

TRI-BIKE ARUBA supports the Mary Joan Foundation with its TYR products. For each purchase during the month of October, MJF will receive an Afs 5 donation.

Yoplait is well known worldwide for its contribution during the month of October to the worthy cause of fighting breast cancer. On November 3, there will be the Yoplait Walk, Bike Tour and Zumba.

Each of the other sponsors mentioned above also has special creative promotions and sales deals with the intent of contributing to the fund of the Mary Joan Foundation.

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How to Improve the Performance of your employees

On any given day on Aruba, scores of sales people are being trained how to be more effective, particularly selling timeshare products. I know this because I had the opportunity of providing sales techniques seminars to many and I also had a sprint of working in a timeshare property as a sales person.

As I observe the training process and content, I understand that these sales people are being trained how to listen their customers, how to handle objections, how to be more effective at cold calling. They also train them on how to handle charging more money than competitors for similar products and services. And they spend a lot of time training the all important closing element of the sale process. Grant you, many of these sales courses are effective; I took a couple of them myself. But, let me surprise you by telling you that far too often the courses do not improve sales at all. No matter how good they were and which sales guru gave the training course.

Of course you are asking the big question, why do they not improve sales? I'll tell why.

Virtually none of these courses give sales people the beliefs that prevent them from being more effective. As a psychologist, I have to tell you that a person's mindset and belief system is very crucial in just about everything they do, and this includes being a sales person.

A. Here are a few examples of what I mean: No matter what skills or selling experience a person might have, if he has a wrong belief system, he will not succeed. For example, if his belief is that what makes me good enough are my accomplishments, he will run his life by

what he is able to accomplish and by showing others his accomplishments. Such a person will probably not attempt anything new out of fear that it will not result in an accomplishment he can brag about...he believes he will not be able to "pull it off".

We know that sales calls often have a significant amount of risk involved, somebody with this kind of belief I just described might resist making sales calls and not succeed as a good sales member on your sales team, no matter what courses you have him take.



B. Another example of what I mean is; no matter what skills or experience a sales person might have, if his or her belief system is: The only way to make a sale is to have the lowest price. This sales person will resist selling a product simply because it has a higher price than the competition. Even if they know that their product has a higher value than the competitor's product. More than often, this is the excuse that sales people with this belief system come back with after a day of not having sold anything. You see, it is their belief system and mindset that makes all the difference, not the guru course they took some days or weeks ago!

These people will respond to your expert course with the comment... "yes, we have a better quality product, but it is almost impossible to make a sale when we have a higher price than theirs?"

C. Here is another example of what I mean: no matter what experience or skills a sales person might have, if they have a negative self-esteem belief, like... "I am not good enough, I'm not capable or competent, or I'm powerless," they will be a lousy sales person. Such a person will perform way below their level of potential. And, what's more potential customers will also perceive his insecurity.

D. Space constraints will allow me to share a couple more examples, but I can only comment on one of them here. The sales person's belief that... "what makes me good enough is having people think well of me." This particular belief system will make people afraid to do anything that might result in people not liking them or thinking well of them. They resort to doing only those things that they are sure will bring people applaud of them. Imagine contracting someone with this belief system to call or approach people they don't know to do selling. The fact that there are people who will get mad for calling them or for approaching them will simply make such a person with this belief system run from the responsibility!

E. One last example is, "mistakes and failure are bad, and I can't do this because I might fail." These people will be afraid to try anything new; they will keep messing up simply because they believe they will fail.

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Pink Ribbon planted at Fantastic Garden



BUSHIRI -- October is Breast Cancer Awareness month, and for nearly 25 years, the Pink Ribbon has been the symbol associated with the campaign to promote detection, treatment, and cure of this disease. Numbers show that one in eight women will develop breast cancer. Fantastic Garden representatives, Mrs. Grace Maduro and Mrs. Anneliz Jonkhout, organized for the 2nd consecutive year an emotive event: construct a pink floral ribbon of potted flower plants.

This symbolic activity is a reminder for every woman to perform a monthly self-exam of their breasts; if they are over 40, they should have a mammogram performed annually.

Present at the occasion were representative of various island organizations who support this worthy cause. Most notably: Mrs. Lili Prins of the Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds, Mrs. Lucy Strijdhaftig and Sra. Edwina de Cuba of the BOB Aruba Foundation and Mrs. Monique Palm, accompanied by Consuela Cameron, Junior Dak, and Xiomara Doran-Hoevertsz of the Mary Joan Foundation.

By wearing pink ribbons in October we honor all those who survived cancer, remember all those who did not, and support those who are on the healing path. We encourage everyone to wear a pink ribbon and show their support during the month of October.

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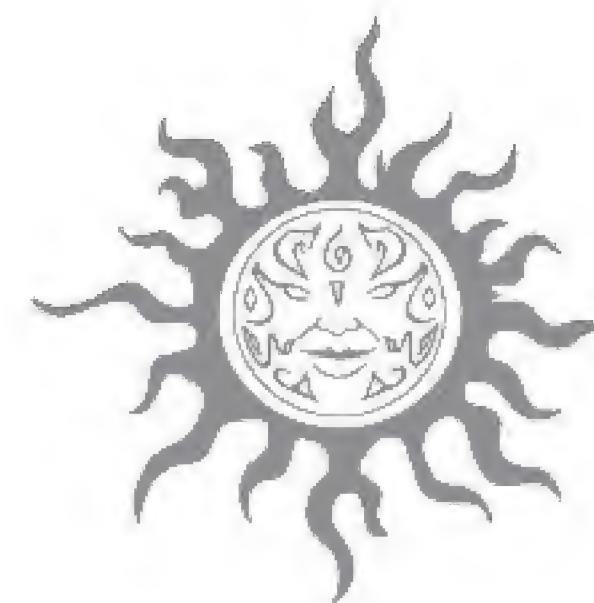
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Well, how do you tackle this problem? My advice is simple; in addition to providing skills training for your sales people; make sure you also help them get rid of their debilitating beliefs, beliefs that will impede their success. In a seminar I do with great success, I help employees (sales people) through a process to get rid of their negative beliefs like the ones listed above. I walk them through a process to help them throw away those beliefs that hinder

their success. May I say that I have a lot of success with this program and most companies are simply ecstatic about the results. You will be amazed at how getting rid of certain beliefs can drastically improve your overall sales record...and your bottom line!

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Global finance chiefs call...

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"It is not helping the US economy to have this uncertainty and this protracted way of dealing with fiscal issues and debt issues," Lagarde said. "There will be very, very negative consequences for the US economy, and there will be very negative consequences outside of the US economy."

If the US is forced to default on its obligations, especially its debts, said Kim, developing countries will be deeply affected.

"The impacts are going to be severe," he said.

In a similar Washington budget fight that went to the wire in 2011, Kim reminded, developing countries paid in terms of higher borrowing costs for months afterward, despite it having been resolved without a US default.

"It's an issue that concerns all of us," said Chilean Minister of Finance Felipe Larraín.

"It is a US problem but ultimately it can kill the recovery of this economy and have a strong impact on the rest of the world."

US Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew told the Senate Finance Committee yesterday that leaving the government unable to borrow more to finance the \$60 billion a month deficit would have potentially

disastrous effects.

"If Congress fails to meet its responsibility, it could be deeply damaging to the financial markets, the ongoing economic recovery, and the jobs and savings of millions of Americans," Lew said.

The Treasury estimates it will run out of room to move under the \$16.7 trillion borrowing limit as soon as October 17, putting it in a position of choosing obligations for default.

China's worries, the largest foreign holder of US debt, echoed in several forums. At an Asian summit in Brunei, Premier Li Keqiang expressed his "concern" about the debt cap problem to US Secretary of State John Kerry.

Lagarde backed away from telling Washington's politicians how to resolve their fight, though she has been clear that quickly increasing the debt limit is crucial for US and global stability. "The IMF does not take a stand, and does not make a recommendation, as to how politically this matter can be resolved," she said.

But she stressed "that the fiscal house of the US be put in order."

Lagarde stressed that the IMF does not expect that worst case to take place.



GUATEMALA CITY (AFP) -- Teenage girls are rescued from a house where they were held captive by a network of human trafficking and labour exploitation, in Villa Canales municipality, 25 km south of Guatemala City, on October 10, 2013. Five women, 38 girls between 13 and 17 and a 15-year-old boy were rescued in several operations, official sources reported

IMF gold sales to fund lending to poor countries

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The International Monetary Fund announced yesterday it has harnessed windfall gold profits from member countries to fund loans to the world's poorest countries in the coming years.

"We have just reached the threshold of enough approvals from our membership to transfer the existing gold profit to meet the financing needs of our low-income countries," IMF managing director Christine Lagarde said.

Calling it "the good news of this week," Lagarde noted it had been a years-long goal to put the IMF's Poverty Reduction and Growth Trust on a sustainable basis.

The IMF said that 151 of its 188 member countries had pledged more than 90 percent of the roughly \$2.7 billion in windfall profits remaining from a gold sale to the PRGT.

The IMF had sought to use members' resources linked to the gold sales to partially fund the PRGT, which offers lending under flexible conditions -- currently at a zero interest rate -- to low-income countries.

The PRGT now has funding to support more than \$3.4 billion in concessional lending, allowing it to lend almost \$2 billion annually, in line with the IMF's estimate for demand from poor countries.

"We now have secured critical resources to provide adequate levels of financial support to the poorest countries for years to come," Lagarde said in a statement.

"That so many countries, at different levels of development and from all of the world's regions, have supported this process shows the strong and universal commitment of our membership to help the world's poorest countries."

The IMF sold 403.3 metric tons of gold in 2009-2010 as part of a plan to ensure the long-term financing of the Fund's day-to-day operations through the creation of an endowment, using anticipated profits of some \$6.8 billion.

But with world gold prices high at the time as the global economy struggled to recover from the 2008 global financial crisis, the sales fetched more than the IMF predicted, generating windfall profits of \$3.8 billion.

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Snowden's father arrives in Moscow in search of son

MOSCOW (AFP) - The father of Edward Snowden arrived in Moscow yesterday, hoping to meet his son for the first time since the former US intelligence contractor became a fugitive after leaking sensational details of US covert surveillance.

Lon Snowden arrived in Moscow on a flight from New York, speaking to reporters at Sheremetyevo airport where his son spent more than a month in transit limbo before Russia agreed to grant him temporary asylum in August.

In an apparently carefully-organised itinerary, he swiftly appeared on the state television channel Rossiya 24, looking tired and still wearing his airplane outfit of sweat pants and fleece jacket.

In comments heavily dubbed into Russian from English, he admitted he still didn't know where his 30-year-old son was staying.

Edward Snowden's whereabouts have been a mystery ever since he was given asylum.

"It's really inappropriate for me to go into detail" of his plans to meet Edward, his father said.

His plans in Russia will depend on Snowden's lawyer Anatoly Kucherena, who is hosting the father as his "guest".

"I'm here to learn more about my son's situation," Snowden told journalists at the airport. "My hope is to learn more about his circumstances and his health and to discuss legal options. If the opportunity presents itself, I certainly hope that I have the opportunity to see my son."

Snowden senior was met at the airport by Kucherena, a pro-Kremlin public figure with ties to Russia's security agencies, who has been the public's only source of information about the fugitive leaker's life in the past months.

"He will not return to the US."

Kucherena said Snowden continues to live in secret for fear of being tracked down by the United States and relies on money donated to him through various organisations, but has had several job offers and may decide to take employment soon.

The former National Security Agency contractor is wanted by the United States after revealing to the media details of massive domestic and foreign surveillance programmes operated by the secretive agency.

Lon Snowden said he had had no direct contact with his son in recent months, adding: "I really have no idea what his intentions are."

International News

Disgraced Detroit mayor gets 28 years for corruption

CHICAGO (AFP) - Disgraced Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick was sentenced to 28 years in a federal prison on corruption and extortion charges.

The sentence comes as the city of Detroit is seeking to shed massive debts he helped rack up in the nation's largest municipal bankruptcy.

Kilpatrick, 43, was convicted in March of two dozen criminal counts following a sweeping federal investigation into the rigging of municipal and state contracts.

Some 33 other people -- including city workers and contractors -- have also been convicted as a result of the investigation.

"This case is not so much about punishing for the past



as it about shaping the future," US Attorney Barbara McQuade said.

Known as Detroit's 'hip hop mayor,' Kilpatrick resigned in 2008 after he was caught lying under oath during a torrid police whistle blower case.

He pleaded guilty to obstruction of justice charges

and served four months in jail for lying during the investigation of a hushed-up stripper party at the mayoral mansion and an affair he had with his chief of staff.

The charges were filed after Kilpatrick abruptly instructed the city to award 8.4 million dollars to settle wrongful dismissal charges by three police officers who said they had been fired for investigating the mayor and the party.

The jury also heard evidence that corruption went back as far as Kilpatrick's time as a state when he diverted a state grant aimed at helping Detroit children to a non-profit run by Ferguson and his wife that instead spent the money on personal expenses.

Reuters plans buyouts, job cuts in United States

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - The Reuters news agency is planning voluntary buyouts and seven jobs cuts in the United States, along with the relocation of its Washington editing desk, its journalists' union said Thursday.

The buyout plan, offered to employees who have worked for the news wire for more than 18 years, will provide severance above the standard contract, according to the Newspaper Guild of New York, which says 97 of its members meet the requirements.

Reuters management also informed the union of its plan to cut seven union-represented editorial jobs: two positions in New York, which will be outsourced to Bangalore, India, and five in Miami, where the agency will keep just one person.

Reuters also plans to close its

editing desk in Washington and to bring those duties to its New York office. The current editors will have the option of either moving to New York or transferring to any open reporting positions in Washington, according to the union.

The management plans to finalize the staff reductions and the desk closings by the end of 2013.

Reuters had announced last week it planned to cut some five percent of its editorial staff, according to a source close to the company.

The union reported the same figure but emphasized management representatives, during a meeting Wednesday, did not clarify whether the employees who take the buyout will be counted among the five percent.

Reuters is one of the world's

biggest global news agencies, along with Agence France-Presse and the US-based Associated Press. It employs more than 2,800 journalists, according to the latest annual tally from its parent company, financial information group Thomson Reuters.

The newswire represents just a small part of Thomson Reuters, which mainly earns its revenues from financial terminals it provides in banks and trading floors and from the distribution of specialized financial and legal information.

The company had announced in February it was cutting 2,500 jobs in its "Financial and Risk" division, which oversees the financial terminals, and CEO James Smith warned last week more "tough decisions" were coming, in a message to the company's 60,000 employees.



MOMBASA (AFP) - Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) Rangers walk past a confiscated ivory consignment at the Mombasa Port on October 8, 2013. The Kenya Ports Authority (KPA) intercepted a container with illegal ivory packed between bags of sesame seeds. The container, of Ugandan origin, was seized in Mombasa and destined for an oil manufacturing plant in Turkey. Officials say the total haul could weigh in at over 2 tonnes.



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Son of richest Australian bids for 'family harmony'



SYDNEY (AFP) - The son of Australia's richest person Gina Rinehart, who is embroiled in a family feud, has withdrawn his bid to head a family trust for "the sake of family harmony", reports said.

The feud has been simmering since 2011, with son John Hancock siding with his sister Bianca Rinehart against their mother for control of the multi-billion dollar trust.

At the centre of the dispute is the trust set up by the late mining magnate Lang Hancock in 1988 with his four grandchildren as the beneficiaries.

His daughter Gina Rinehart was to run the trust, which holds a 23.4 percent share of her iron ore company Hancock Prospecting, until the youngest grandchild turned 25 in 2011.

But just days before this date Gina Rinehart allegedly sought to delay the payout until 2068, saying it would avoid a huge capital gains tax bill.

The move prompted Han-

cock and sisters Bianca Rinehart and Hope Rinehart Welker to take court action, although Hope Rinehart Welker later withdrew from the case.

Earlier this month Gina Rinehart said she planned to relinquish control of the trust, and her son had appeared keen to replace her.

But Sydney's Supreme Court heard Wednesday that John Hancock had withdrawn his application to become head of the family trust in favour of his sister Bianca, the Sydney Morning Herald reported.

"I made the decision last night to ask Bianca to nominate as replacement trustee," he said in a statement. "I also decided to stand down as replacement, in the interests of family harmony, and support Bianca's nomination."

Lawyers for the youngest sister Gina Rinehart reportedly objected to the proposal, saying if Bianca was to be trustee, it should have been mentioned months ago.

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Breast cancer patients reveal effect of disease on their self-esteem and sex life



-- One in two breast cancer survivors under the age of 55 say their sex lives have suffered as a result the disease and its treatment, a survey by Macmillan Cancer Support has found.

Nearly one in three women who had beaten breast cancer, and 54 per cent of those under 55, say they have sex less often.

The charity said it was particularly concerned by evi-

dence that a cancer had long-term consequences for a woman's sex life. Almost a third of women diagnosed ten years ago or more said they have sex less often because of their cancer.

Most women who had had cancer said they had a lower sex drive, nearly half said they felt more body conscious and one in six said that sex had become physically too painful following chemotherapy or surgery.

"Many breast cancer survivors find their sex lives can fall apart," said Dr Daria Bonanno, a clinical psychologist at Macmillan. "As well as dealing with pain, they may find scarring from surgery or radiotherapy has affected their body confidence or treatment has dampened their libido."

"The impact of a waning sex life can be tough, chipping away at a patient's self-esteem - and in more extreme cases leading to depression or contributing to a relationship breakdown."

Macmillan surveyed 532 women who have had surgery for breast cancer. The charity is encouraging breast cancer patients who need support relating to cancer's effect on their self-esteem and sex life to get help from their GP.

Indigenous protest shuts down BHP Billiton megamine in Colombia



BOGOTA (AFP) - The world's second largest ferromanganese operation, Cerro Matoso in Colombia, run by BHP Billiton, was shut down Wednesday by displaced indigenous people seeking help, the government said.

The Mining and Energy Ministry said it was urging the Zenu people to engage in dialogue after their protests ground to a halt work at the massive open-air operation in Montelíbano, in the northern department of Cordoba.

Protests began about a week ago, local officials said.

Colombia will lose about \$185,000 a day due to the shutdown, the ministry said in a statement. It did not say if dialogue was scheduled.

Ferromanganese is used in industry, most commonly in making stainless steel. Anglo-Australian BHP Billiton is the world's biggest mining concern.

Zenu protesters blocked access to the operation on Wednesday morning, protest leader Celedonio Padilla told AFP.

The group of 6,000 Zenu are seeking about 8,000 hectares of land to relocate their community after the mining operation displaced them and started causing health problems including cancer, Padilla charged.

"People don't have anywhere to live, and they also are getting cancer from the mining operation" which has affected local soil and waterways from which native people generally fish as part of their subsistence lifestyle, Padilla said.

The mining ministry, which says it has made offers rejected by the indigenous people, has warned protesters to open the gates, and that it will "guarantee public order".

The ministry offered to set up a new indigenous reserve, Alto San Jorge, and to carry out health studies on possible environmental impacts of the mining.

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World's biggest book fair explores self-publishing trend

FRANKFURT (AFP) - Authors are increasingly opting to self-publish as a way to reach readers and sidestep potentially thorny relations with a publisher, industry players at the world's biggest book fair said Thursday.

"People have always wanted to tell their story. A lot of barriers have fallen thanks to the explosion of social networks and new technologies," said Florian Geuppert of French company Books on Demand.

With an annual print-run of three million books and 17,000 digital versions, his company is one of top players in the world of self-publishing, a key theme at this year's Frankfurt Book Fair in western Germany.

Self-publishing, which allows an author to publish a manuscript for a traditional paper book or e-book without going through a publishing company, accounted for just three percent of France's book market last year.

In the United States however it now boasts a 17-percent share of the market after significant growth in recent years.

Some writers choose to go it alone because they have been turned down by a publisher, but most simply do it because they want to stay in total control, according to Geuppert.

"The main reason for self-publishing is still the same, to do what they want, how they want it," he said.

The German self-publishing platform has brought out 15,000 publications.

Depending on the form it takes, writers can hope to pocket anything from 15 to 80 percent from the sales of a self-published book, compared to up to six percent via a tradi-

tional publisher.

"As soon as the book is published, it is available on the big distribution platforms like Amazon, Google Play, the Apple store," Joly said.



Dutch team win Australian solar car race



ADELAIDE (AFP) - Dutch team Nuon on Thursday crossed the finish line in an epic 3,000-kilometre (1,860-mile) solar car race across the Australian outback ahead of Japan's Tokai University, avenging their 2011 defeat.

The World Solar Challenge, first run in 1987 and last held in 2011, set off on Sunday from Darwin in northern Australia with the Dutch team's car Nuna 7 taking 33.05 hours to make the punishing trip to Adelaide.

It was a close battle until the last 50 kilometres when rain and cloud rolled in, forcing Nuon's arch-rival Tokai to stop and recharge, a setback that prevented them from winning a third consecutive title.

A Nuon spokesman said the team carried out precise calculations in advance to ensure

they could reach the finish.

"We predict every second of the race. So we know exactly what weather is going to be where, how much is going to be in our battery and how much energy we're going to use with the speed we're driving at," he said.

"We actually calculated everything so that our battery would be fully empty finishing here and so that we could drive at the highest speed possible."

Nuon was narrowly defeated by Team Tokai in the 2011 race, when just 30 kilometres separated the first and second cars in one of the contest's closest finishes in its history.

Another Dutch team, Twente, came third, with Stanford from the United States running fourth as of the end of Thursday's racing and Bel-

gium's Punch Powertrain in fifth place.

Teams from 20 countries were fielding cars in the race, which takes place every two years.

Crews were allowed to store a small amount of energy but most of their power had to come from the sun and their vehicle's kinetic forces.

The cars were allowed to drive between 8am and 5pm each day, and simply set up camp wherever they pulled off the road.

There were seven checkpoints along the route where drivers could get updates on their standings, the weather, and do basic maintenance -- clearing any debris from the car and adjusting tyre pressure.

Teams come from leading international universities and

technical institutes and include private entrepreneurs, with the challenge designed to promote alternatives to conventional vehicle engines and showcase advanced automotive technology, according to the organisers.

The Dutch Nuon team celebrate after winning the 3000km solar-powered race between Darwin and Adelaide.



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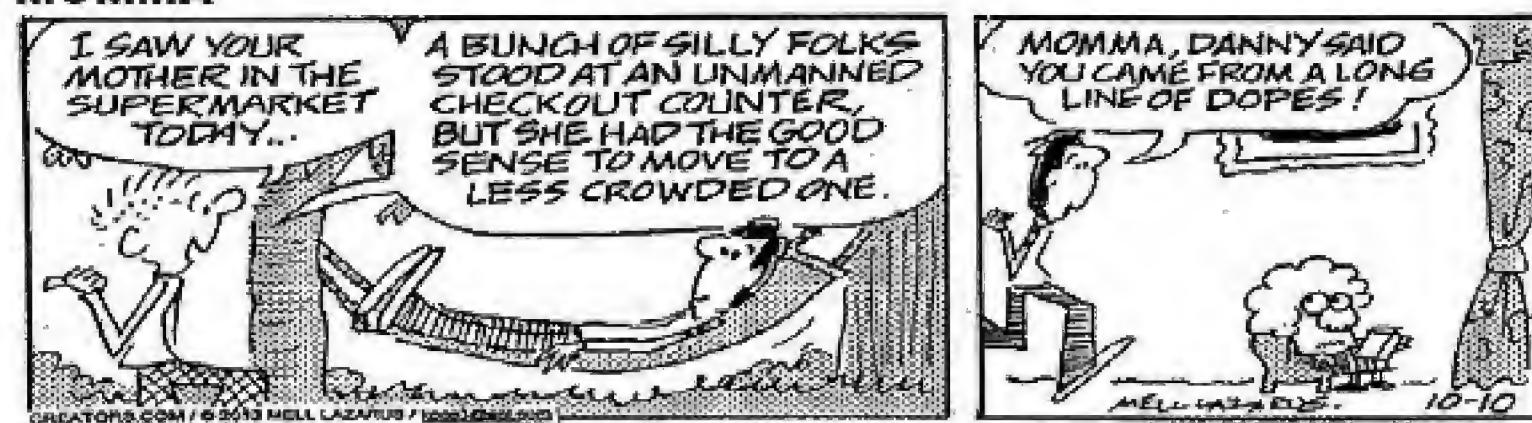
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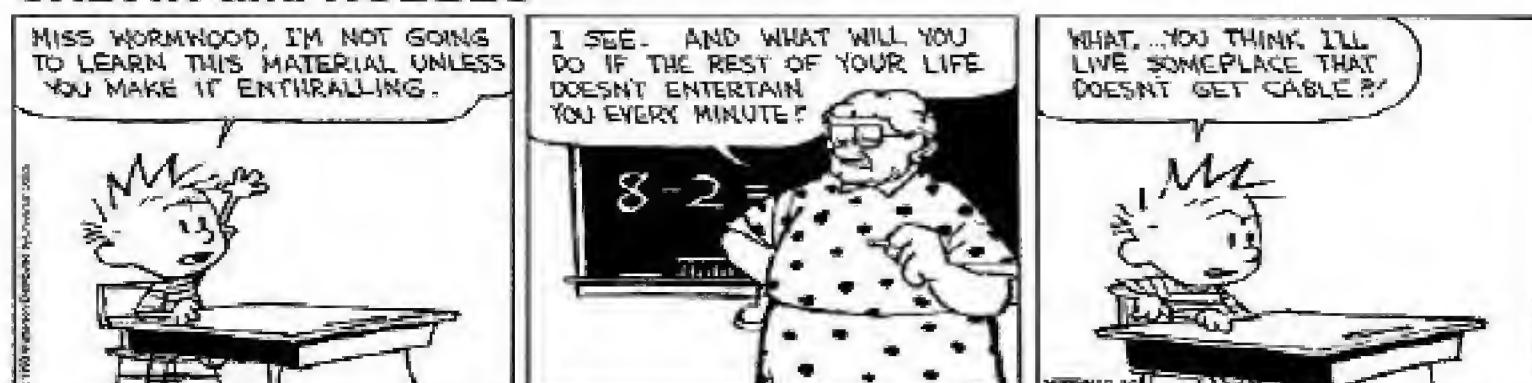
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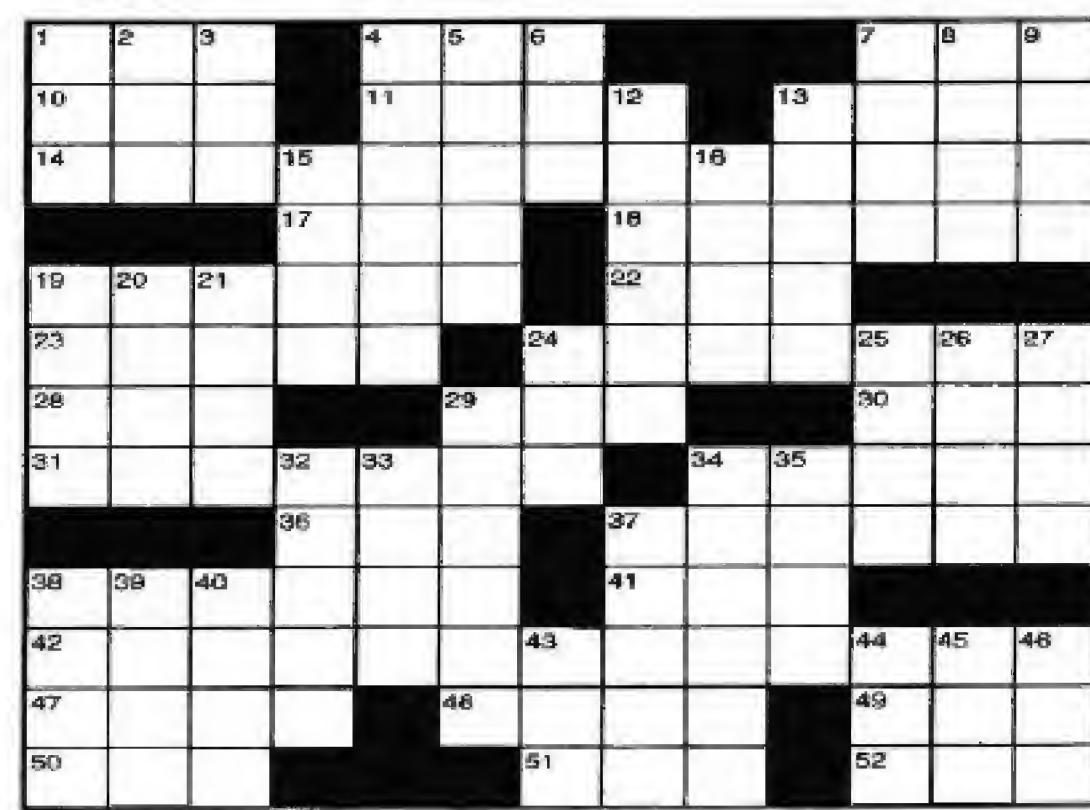
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14. Seal of Lewis and Clark County (2 wds.)
17. Marx's "Kapital"
18. Lifted
19. Captured
22. Film company letters
23. Bancroft and Baxter
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28. Actor Erwin
29. Urge payment
30. Greek letter
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37. Havana natives
38. Incidents
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1. Speedometer letters
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5. "Cease!," at sea
6. Beaver's creation
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8. Like a hermit
9. Wearing clothes
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13. "___ for Us" (2 wds.)
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19. Small barrel
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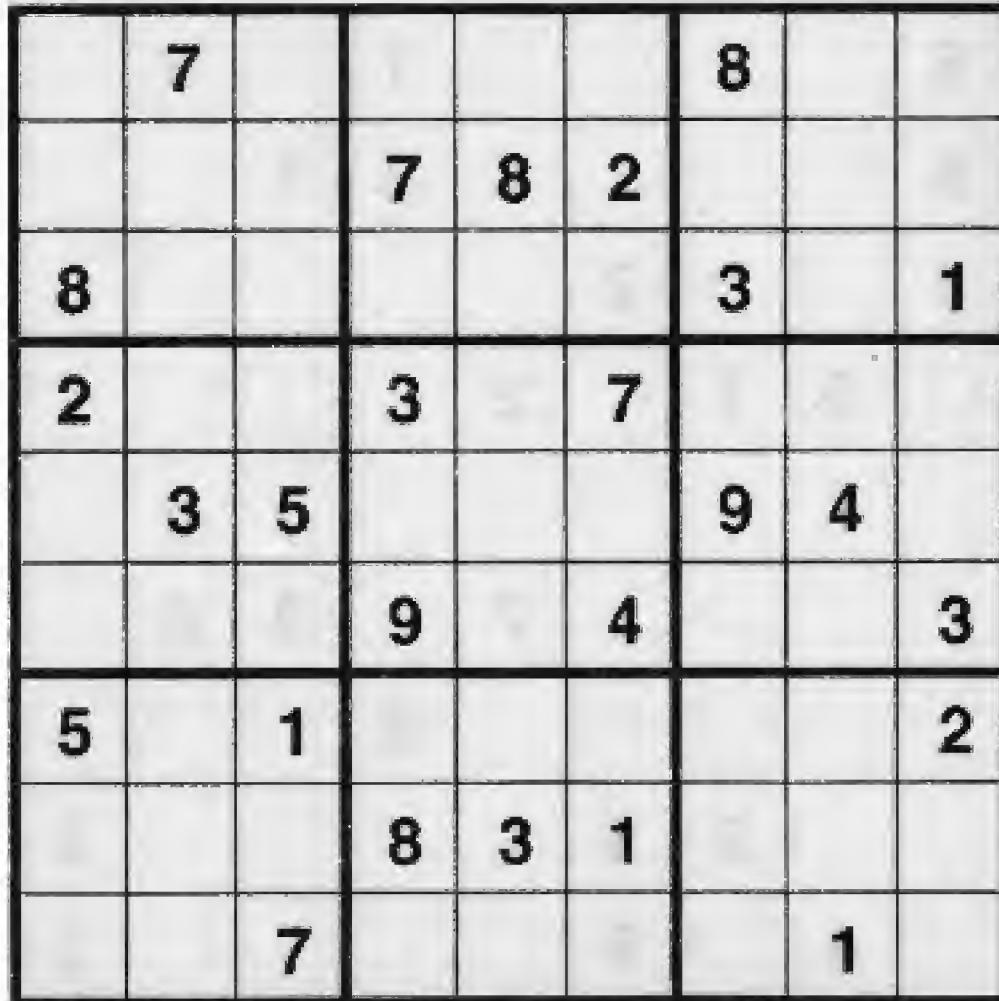
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FINANCE

Prime Minister Mike Eman reminds delegates ...

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Citing the recent national elections, and his party and their policies experiencing a historic and sweeping majority at the polls, he thanked the Aruban population for taking to heart their slogan, "Good Work... much more to be done... In that combination, I believe we in this hall have come together. In the same sense that the world has made an effort lately, communities have come together to acknowledge we cannot continue on the same road and business as usual."

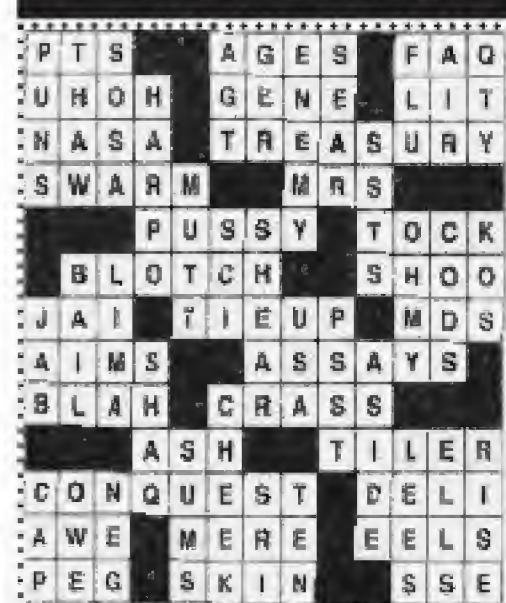
"All over, in islands like this, in cities and countries, conferences like this are taking place, initiatives are being taken, because the world understands that "business as usual" is not sustainable. Organizations have come together, and in some countries, important progress has been made...on a road to transfer our dependency on fossil fuel to alternative energies."

"In the acknowledgement... there is something more than only the choice for sustainable energy. On Aruba, we came to the conclusion that we need to choose, not only based on the way we could use our energy. We look back on our progress in the last 25 years and we see an island we can be very proud of. An island that used to have 200,000 tourists a year now has a million and a half. It used to have 2,000 hotel rooms, now it has 8,000. An island that used to have a GDP of four to five hundred million now has a GDP of over three billion."

"These are many large numbers and statistics that indicate an island that has moved forward to certain objectives. Those that look at hard numbers could boast that we have succeeded in the road we have chosen. However, in that same spirit, looking back from some years ago on this development, we have come to the conclusion that "business as usual" will not bring our community happiness, as we would hope."

"Larger numbers in hotel rooms, occupying more of our nature, making life more hectic for our citizen, but not creating a clear connection between eco-

SATURDAY'S Crossword Answer



**Jerry Butler and Matthew Perk with Parliamentarians
Paul Croes and Lorna Varlack**

nomic growth and well being, is not a sustainable path. Definitely not a path that would lead to happiness for our society.

In all this development, we have found that people have gotten jobs, but not the best jobs that they would like. They have found a way to take care of their families, but not in the best way. Sometimes, the hours at work have become much longer; weekends don't exist and holidays are not what people knew in the past. So, we have given up a lot, as people, countries and communities, in order to achieve boastful numbers in GDP, economic growth, and impressive, monumental developments, such as the large hotels, 5- star hotels.

But, when we look back at all this development, we must also be critical that an island like Aruba, which ranks #19 in population density, where the community looks at the beaches we are losing, the public spaces that are not adequate, the schools that are not 5-star. As a community, it demands reflection on the chosen path. This is not only a path chosen by Aruba, it is, perhaps, the tragedy of the Western Society.

We have chosen a path in which we have looked very much at numbers and material wealth as the answer for happiness and well-being of our citizens. When you look back, all countries around the world see communities and people living in discontent although you have all these huge developments, people are still asking, "why did I lose my job? Why did I lose my pension? Why did I lose my house? Where were the institutions that were responsible for taking care of the jobs? Taking care of the opportunities for the

future?"

"There lies also the answer of the choice we have to make for the future," continued the PM, "business as usual is no longer the answer for the future. I believe that in this choice for sustainability lies fundamental principles for a choice for a better quality of life, for all our citizens." He expressed his satisfaction that the people of Aruba "have embraced the ideas and initiatives we have put forward... I hope during these next few days we can cement this cooperation and choose a path that leads to a better path. The fact that we, here in Aruba, could choose a path that leads to better well-being for our citizens naturally fulfills me and gives a greater sense of satisfaction and commitment to continue this work. The realization that what we do here can also inspire larger countries to imitate what we have done here, also motivates us."

Following his address, the Founding Chairman of CREF, Jerry Butler, presented Prime Minister Eman with an Appreciation Award for his efforts towards this year's forum. Dr. Ramdin discussed the challenges that Caribbean nations face from the constant rising cost of oil, and detrimental effects of climate change. His presentation will follow in tomorrow's edition of THE MORNING NEWS.

Following Dr. Ramdin, President of the Carbon War Room, Jose Maria Figueres, moderated a panel discussion with the energy ministers of The Bahamas, Jamaica and St. Lucia. Their remarks will also be detailed in an article in Saturday's paper. *Rosalie Klein*



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Netherlands EUR	238.83	241.01	243.43
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US stocks surge on Washington budget progress

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - US stocks surged yesterday on progress toward a potential deal in Washington to prevent a debt default, recovering a hefty portion of their losses since the partial government shutdown began.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average soared 323.09 (2.18 percent) to 15,126.07, just below its level on the eve of the October 1 shutdown.

The broad-based S&P 500 jumped 36.16 (2.18 percent) to 1,692.56, while the tech-rich Nasdaq Composite Index added 82.97 (2.26 percent) at 3,760.75.

A breakthrough in the political logjam seemed at hand when House of Representatives Speaker John Boehner offered to extend the US borrowing authority for six weeks. But his proposal would not end the shutdown.

President Barack Obama met with Republican leaders at the White House.

The developments suggest "both sides appreciate the gravity of a default," said Jack Ablin, chief investment officer at BMO Private Bank.

"It's not worth sending our

country into a tailspin over ideological differences. I think investors are breathing a sigh of relief."

Some of the biggest gains came in technology stocks that had retreated in recent days.

Facebook rose 4.9 percent, Netflix jumped 5.4 percent, Amazon increased 2.3 percent and Dow component Microsoft advanced 2.1 percent.

Banking stocks, which have suffered amid concerns the Washington impasse could harm the economy, also scored outsized gains.

Dow component JPMorgan Chase surged 3.5 percent, Wells Fargo jumped 2.7 percent and Citigroup tacked on 2.8 percent.

JPMorgan and Wells Fargo will report earnings Friday in some of the quarter's earliest major results.

Oil giant Chevron, another Dow component, underperformed the index, rising just 0.2 percent after disclosing that quarterly earnings would be lower than the previous quarter, in part due to "significantly" lower downstream earnings.

Morgan Stanley slashed its earnings estimate to \$2.60 per share from \$2.95.

Citrix, which provides cloud computing services, stood out in falling 11.9 percent after warning that both earnings and revenues lagged expectations. The company forecast revenues of \$710-\$712 million, below the previous projection of \$730-\$740 million.

Bond prices fell. The yield on the 10-year US Treasury rose to 2.68 percent from 2.65 percent Wednesday, while the 30-year increased to 3.74 percent from 3.72 percent.

Prices and yields move inversely.



Mary Joan Foundation looks back on 'exitoso' festival!



There were 12 ladies who had the courage to get on stage and give a tremendous show to the large audience. The public is expecting another show by the Pink Voices. The foundation is very grateful to Erin Croes who gave of her time to serve as the MC for the occasion. Special thanks to all coaches who guided and helped the ladies for their presentation.

Prizes went to the following sequence and ladies:

Popular: Gloria Croes and coach Frenk Kock

Best Show: Gloria Croes and coach Frenk Kock

Voice: Giselle Croes and coach Ms. Rachel Kraaijvanger/Nicole Martinus

- 1st place: Giselle Croes and coach Rachel Kraaijvanger/Nicole Martinus

- 2nd place: Gloria Croes and coach Frenk Kock

- 3rd place: Inger Blom and coach Olga Granadillo-Antonette

- 4th place: Frida Henriquez and coach Papito Rafael



-- The Mary Joan Foundation has become known for organizing great social activities for their clients. This is in an effort to help their clients overcome the difficult period during their life with cancer. Last October 5th they held their first song festival organized by the members of the foundation. The club where the event was held was filled to capacity. The Aruban community supported the event all out.



- 5th place: Omayra Werleman and coach Rachel Kraaijvanger

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Archaeologists in Bolivia find 1,500-year-old treasures

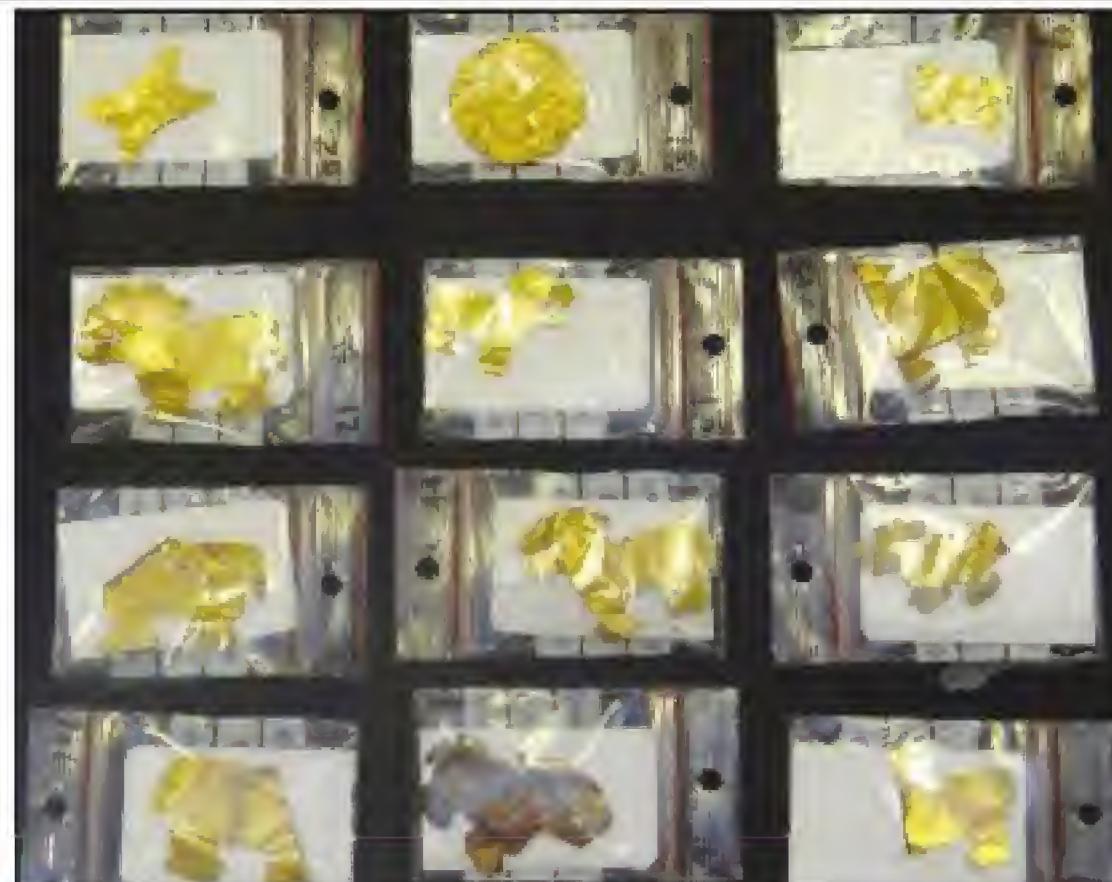
LA PAZ (AFP) - Gold and silver pieces as well as bones and pottery from 1,500 years ago were discovered in Lake Titicaca by underwater archaeologists, a researcher said Tuesday.

"We found 2,000 objects and fragments," Christophe Delaere, the Belgian co-director of the Huinaymarca Project that unearthed the items, said at a ceremony in La Paz.

President Evo Morales, Bolivia's minister of culture and diplomats from Belgium were also in attendance.

The expedition began two months ago on the Bolivian side of the lake, which is shared with Peru. Underwater explorations turned up objects from different eras, both Inca era and pre-Inca (1438-1533).

The project unearthed 31



gold fragments, mainly around the Isla del Sol, where legend holds that mythical founders of

the Incan empire emerged from the lake's waters.

Underwater excavations

were carried out in other parts of the lake where objects from different dates were found.

"There are ceramics and urns from more than 500 to 800 years ago," Delaere said.

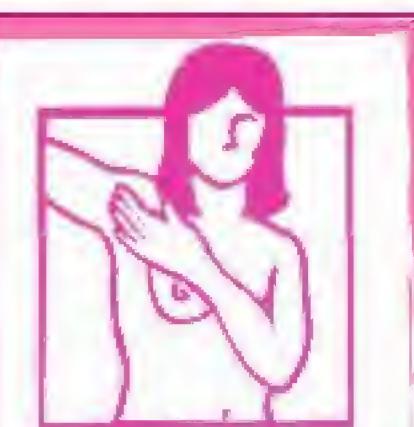
Elsewhere, 1,500-year-old objects such as stone vessels, incense containers and figures of animals like pumas were found.

Tales about the lake containing underwater citadels and wealth supposedly stashed by indigenous Quechua and Aymara people from Spanish conquistadores have existed for centuries in Bolivia.

In the late 1960s French explorer Jacques-Yves Cousteau

conducted several expeditions in Lake Titicaca, finding signs of a civilization.

Morales stressed that Bolivia, South America's poorest nation, is keen to recover its national patrimony on display in countries in Europe and the United States.



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sundry to their proud undertaking, 5 Burgers Aruba. The couple's fanatical dedication to giving their customers what they really want has resulted in a unique menu from an internationally known franchise with a "5", which now includes breakfast.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy, made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

However, beginning at 7 a.m., patrons can now order 2

eggs any style, (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) toast and coffee with unlimited refills for the special introductory price of only \$3.99, or All-you-can-eat pancakes for \$6.99! A new plate called the "Home Run" comes with 2 eggs, bacon or sausage, 2 pancakes, toast & home fries - for only \$9.99! Best of all - unlimited coffee or tea - that is, refillable and never ending is only \$.79! Breakfast is served from 8am until noon. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie; so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (al-



most 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with Aaron's secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jalapeño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.

5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by

two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

Try them the English way-with vinegar; and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gourmet cheeseburger.

5 Burgers is now open early until 10-ish at night; delivery is available to both the high-rise and low-rise hotel and beach district at now extra cost for orders over \$50. Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner to sit and chat, sharing their knowledge of the island while making sure patrons are happy with their meal.

Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

-- Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by



the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community

of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facil-

ties such as those at Gold Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the

least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

Visit their website: www.goldcoastaruba.com for more details and availability or call 586-2200 to arrange a personal tour.

Peruvian press covers story of Aruban Cyclist Cherley van den Linden

-- The Aruban delegation just returning from the first South American Youth Games held in Peru, is back with the knowledge that they have left their mark in Lima, Peru.

The Peruvian Press gave a nice review of Aruban Cyclist Cherley van den Linden. She competed in the "race against the clock" and came in first place ahead of the powerful cyclists from Brazil, Ecuador, Colombia, Argentina, Venezuela, etc. As reported by the Peruvian press: ..."the Aruban cyclist was the very best in this race of the South American Youth Game." That day her win was the topic of conversation everywhere.

Cherley marked 5:05:12 "against the clock," to win cyclist from Brazil, Ana Paula Casetta who came in second place with 5:06.35. Ecuadorian Ester Galarza came in third place at 5:07.36..

For cyclist Cherley van den Linden and all of Aruba, this was certainly a lovely moment which filled us with emotion. The press coverage in Peru is unpayable promotion for Aruba. To think that a cyclist from such a small is-



land as Aruba can win giant big countries is certainly tremendous. Pabien Cherley, keep up the good work!

To see the link, go

to: <http://www.tueve.tv/noticia/deportes/175635/2013-09-24-cherley-van-den-plinden-gana-el-oro-en-ciclismo-con-trarreloy>

Football: Uruguay, Ecuador prepare for World Cup clash

MONTEVIDEO (AFP) - Luis Suarez believes the momentum is with Uruguay as the South Americans look to edge closer to World Cup qualification with a daunting tie away to rivals Ecuador in the thin air of Quito Today.

With Argentina already assured of their place at next year's finals in Brazil following their thrashing of Paraguay last month, attention turns to the nip-and-tuck battle for the three remaining automatic qualifying places in South America.

Uruguay are currently outside the automatic qualifying spots in fifth place, meaning they would face a two-legged play-off against Asian minnows Jordan next month if they fail to secure a top-four finish.

But Uruguay are level on 22 points with fourth-placed Ecuador and would wrest the initiative away from their rivals with a win at the Atahualpa Olympic Stadium heading into next week's final round of qualifiers.

Today's crunch clash is a repeat of the 2009 classic between the two sides which saw Uruguay snatch a dramatic 2-



1 victory in Quito, wrecking Ecuador's hopes of securing a play-off place for the 2010 World Cup.

Liverpool striker Suarez has played a key part in helping to transform Uruguay's qualifying campaign, which sees them head into today's match buzzing with confidence on the back of three consecutive wins over Venezuela, Peru and Colombia.

Suarez scored an equalizer at the Atahualpa four years ago when the Uruguayans grabbed their vital victory -- and the controversial striker believes the two-time winners are ready to repeat the feat on Friday.

Uruguay captain Diego Lugano said that while a point would guarantee Uruguay at

least a play-off place, the two-time winners were setting their sights on maximum points.

A defeat for Uruguay today would all but guarantee Ecuador a place in the finals, and leave sixth-placed Venezuela, who have 19 points, in with a chance of pipping them to the play-off place if they can beat already-eliminated Paraguay in their final match in San Cristobal.

A Uruguay defeat and a Venezuela win could leave the Uruguayans in the uncomfortable position of needing a positive result against Argentina in Montevideo next Tuesday to be sure of holding onto fifth place.

Elsewhere on Friday, Colombia will be hoping to secure their first World Cup appearance since 1998 when they host Chile in Barranquilla.

The Colombians, with 26 points, have won their last five matches in Barranquilla, and need only a point against Chile to reach the finals in Brazil.

Chile, who are two points adrift of Colombia, would secure automatic qualification with a win over the Colombians.



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Boxing: Lewis rules out return to ring



LONDON (AFP) - Lennox Lewis took to Twitter on Thursday to deny a report in Britain's Daily Mail newspaper he was considering returning to the ring to fight one of the Klitschko brothers.

It is nearly a decade since British boxer Lewis retired as the undisputed heavyweight champion of the world.

But the Mail quoted him as saying he would fight one of the Klitschkos, who between them hold all the major versions of the world heavyweight title, if they offered him \$100 million dollars (£62.6 million pounds) -- the biggest purse in boxing history.

However, the 43-year-old Lewis told his Twitter followers: "A hypothetical answer to a hypothetical question does NOT equal reality & No Comeback."

The Mail reported Lewis, who has resisted several attempts to lure him out of retirement, saying he was offered \$50 million (£31.3m) in Moscow at the weekend while attending Vladimir Klitschko's successful defence of his world titles against Alexander Povetkin.

He'd previously talked of \$50 million being the required amount to make him contemplate a return to boxing.

However, the Mail quoted Lewis saying: "I said at the time that it will take \$50 mil-

lion to get me out of my pyjamas but now I have to consider the value of my legacy of having retired as undisputed champion.

"That isn't the first time that he (Lewis) has offered to fight for a sum like that. He nearly always says that when he is in Germany as a guest at a Klitschko fight.

"I saw him in the Moscow in the ring, he is not fit anymore and has a belly. And at 43, he isn't the youngest any more."

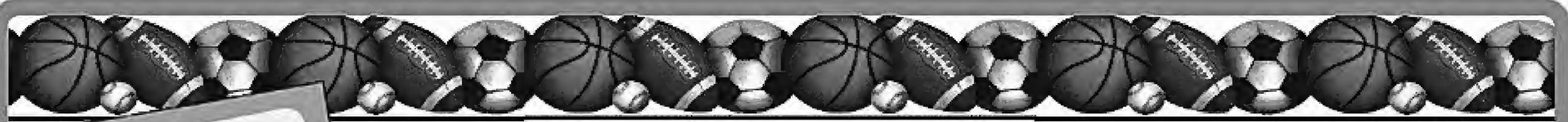
Lewis beat Vitali Klitschko on cuts in Los Angeles in 2003 and a year later retired without having boxed again.

The older of the Ukrainian brothers, the 42-year-old Vitali, who holds the WBC world title and harbours hopes of becoming president of Ukraine, has long wanted a return bout.

Had Lewis been serious about coming back, he would have been older than George Foreman, then aged 48, was when the US boxing great regained the world heavyweight title.

Foreman beat Michael Moorer in 1994 having first been crowned champion in 1973.

Vladimir Klitschko, 37, retained his WBA, IBF, WBO and IBO titles with a unanimous points win over Russia's Povetkin in Moscow on Saturday.



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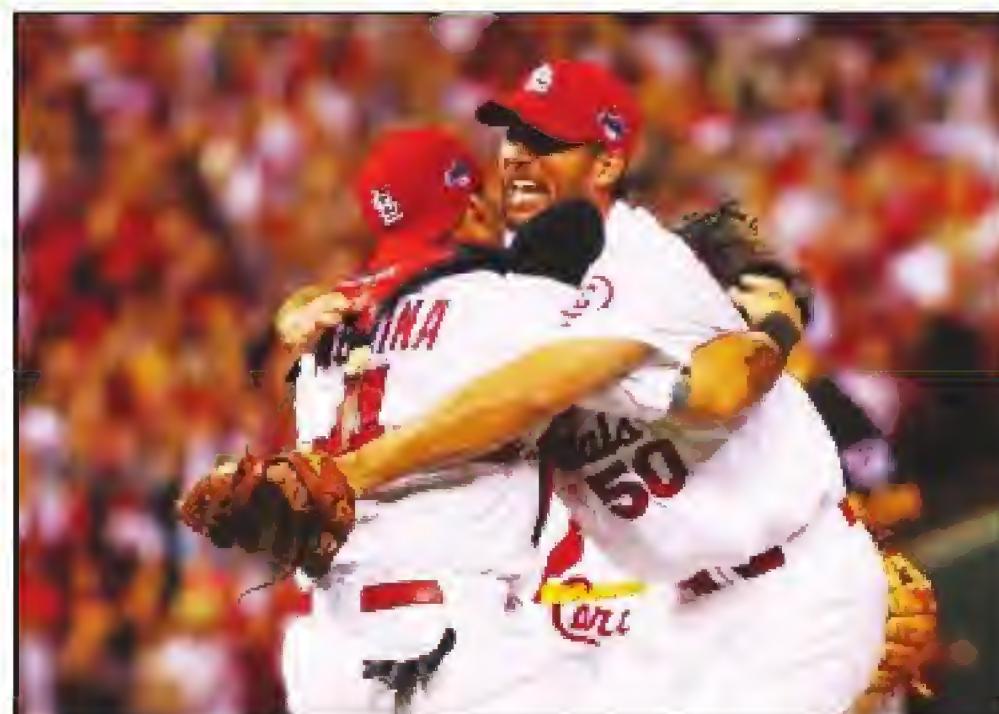
MLB: Cardinals down Pirates to advance

ST. LOUIS (AFP) - David Freese and Matt Adams belted two-run home runs and Adam Wainwright went the distance Wednesday as the St. Louis Cardinals beat Pittsburgh 6-1 to reach baseball's National League Championship Series.

Freese, the Most Valuable Player of the 2011 World Series, again came up big in the post-season to help the Cardinals return to the NLCS for the third straight year.

The victory in the decisive game five of the National League Division Series gave the Cardinals a 3-2 series triumph and sent them into a best-of-seven clash with the Los Angeles Dodgers for a place in the World Series.

The Dodgers advanced to the NLCS for the first time



since 2009 on Monday, with a 4-3 victory in game four of their series against Atlanta.

The Cardinals, who won the NL Central division title, are 8-1 in elimination games over the past three years. They'll enjoy home field advantage against the Dodgers and will host Los Angeles in Game One of their series today.

St. Louis won the last two games against Pittsburgh with the help of strong pitching.

The Pirates, seeking a first

post-season series victory since 1979, sent rookie Gerrit Cole to the mound. He threw five solid innings, but gave up the homer to Freese in the second frame.

The Cardinals' Jon Jay worked an eight-pitch walk after being down in the count to Cole in the second. Freese was also behind in the count, but pounced on a shaky 1-2 slider from Cole for the seventh playoff homer of his career.

Girardi reaches four-year deal with Yankees



NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Joe Girardi will be back as manager of the New York Yankees after signing a four-year deal on Wednesday that will keep him with the Bronx Bombers through 2017.

Financial terms were not disclosed, but the New York Post reported the contract to be worth \$16 million.

Girardi's previous contract expired following the 2013 Major League Baseball season. The Yankees battled injury and other issues -- including the doping case involving Alex Rodriguez -- on the way to an 85-77 record.

They failed to reach the playoffs for the first time since Girardi's first season at the helm in 2008.

In his six seasons as manager, Girardi has a record of 564-408 with three division titles and a wild card playoff berth.

He led the Yankees to their 27th World Series crown in 2009.

Girardi, 48, played for the Cubs and Yankees, as well as Colorado and St. Louis, in his 15-year Major League playing career. He was a member of World Series-winning Yankees teams in 1996, 1998 and 1999.

Hot football match expected by three companies here



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Village prepared the schedule of the parties to confront each other today on the Centro di Bario Brazil sports field. This first party to play will be Divi Village against Marriott Hotel. After this, Caribbean Drip Irrigation will play against Divi Village. The last to play for the evening will be Caribbean Drip Irrigation against Divi Village.

Each game will be for 15 minutes and games will continue for two weeks. On the 30th of October, they will have the finals between two teams which will determine the winning team to earn the special winner's cup and gold medal.

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Boxing: 'Pac-Man' conquerors Bradley, Marquez to meet

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Timothy Bradley and Juan Manuel Marquez, who handed Manny Pacquiao back-to-back defeats in his last two bouts, turn their attention from the Filipino fight king to each other in Las Vegas on Saturday.

Both Bradley and Marquez beat Pacquiao in 2012, Bradley nabbing a controversial split decision in June that seemed to cry out for a rematch.

In December, however, Pacquiao chose to take on a familiar foe in Mexico's Marquez, who seemed to be struggling in the sixth round when he caught Pacquiao with a massive right that knocked the Asian star cold -- the clearest-cut result in their four-fight rivalry that had previously produced two narrow Pacquiao victories and one draw.

Now, with Pacquiao set to fight American Brandon Rios in Macau on November 24, Bradley and Marquez will meet at the Thomas and Mack Center for the World Boxing Organization welterweight title that Bradley took from the Filipino.

Having finally felled Pacquiao, Marquez is now chasing history. The 40-year-old can become the first Mexican-born fighter to win a title in five different weight classes if he beats Bradley.

Marquez insisted this week that his age isn't a factor in the ring.

"Everyone asks me, 'How do you feel at 40 years old,'" said Marquez, who brings a record of 55-6 with one drawn and 40 knockouts to the bout.

"I feel very happy and I feel great, like a young fighter with a warrior heart."

Bradley, who followed up his dubious win over Pacquiao with a 12-round unanimous -- albeit narrow -- decision over Ruslan Provodnikov in March, boasts a record of 30-0 with 12 knockouts.

He absorbed a stream of punishment from Provodnikov in the early rounds, suffering a concussion in the first round and absorbing a blow that nearly gave the Russian challenger a late knockout.

However, Bradley says he's fit and ready to unveil his "Ninja Turtle shell" physique at the weigh-in prior to what he expects to be another bruising encounter.

"It's very seldom that you have two guys willing to fight one another that are quite evenly matched," Bradley said. "It's going to be an interesting night Saturday night."



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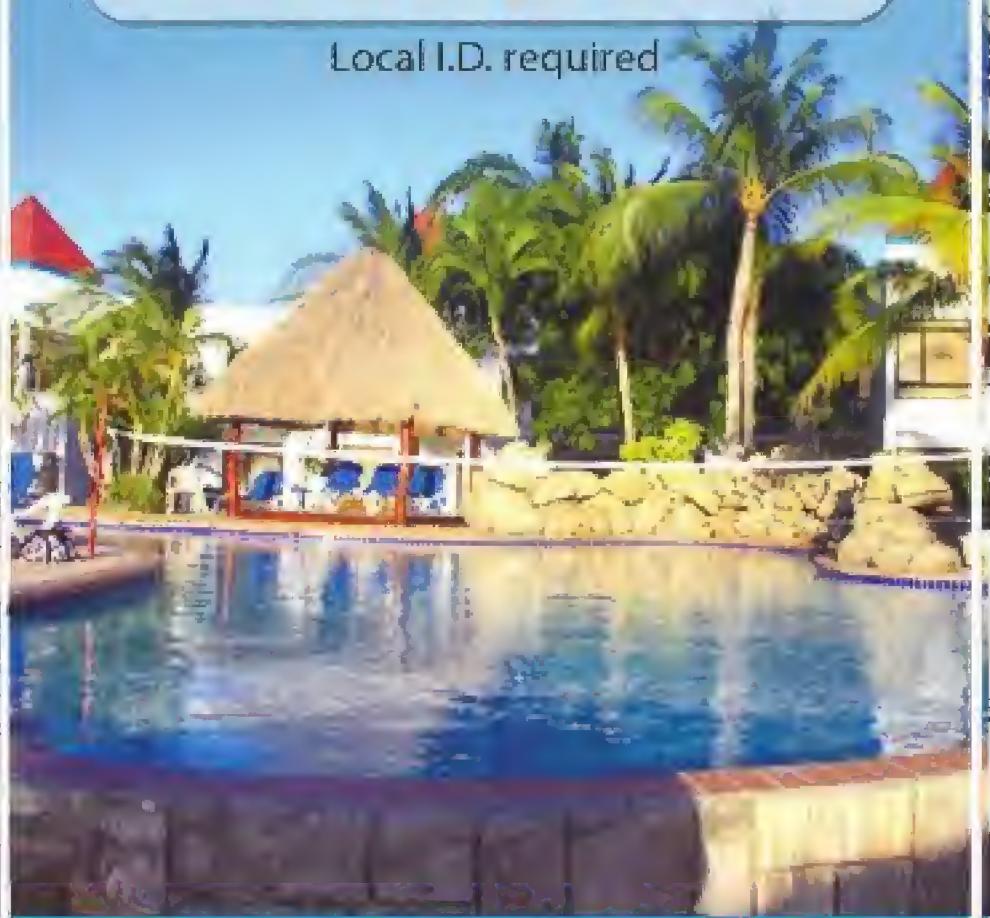
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